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No. 4451 號一十五百四千四第 日六初月正年申壬治同 HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1872. 三拜禮 號四十月二英 港香 [PRICE $2½ PER MONTH

Arrivals.

Feb. 13, BEREND, North German bk., 350, Tomme, Saigon 19th January, 8,000 Rice.—BOURJAU, HUBENER & Co.

Feb. 13, LOUISA, Brit. 3-m. schooner, 244, Hughes, Saigon 22nd January, Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Feb. 13, CID, French bk., 250, A. Jacuon, Bangkok 30th December, Wood and Rice.—GRUN & Co.

Feb. 13, ELDERSLIE, Brit. 3-m. sch., 201, Sherlock, Bangkok 2nd January, 5,000 piculs Rice.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Feb. 14, GREAT REPUBLIC, Amer str., 3,882, Cobb, San Francisco January 5th, and Yokohama 7th Feb., General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Departures.

Feb. 13, SUNDA, str., for Swatow, &c.
Feb. 13, YESSO, str., for East Coast.
Feb. 13, GLAUCUS, str., for Shanghai.
Feb. 13, HERMINE, str., for Saigon.
Feb. 13, CHARLOTTE CHRISTINE, for Taiwan.
Feb. 13, AMERICA, for Macao.
Feb. 13, ANNA DOROTHEA, for Saigon.
Feb. 13, LESMONA, for Bangkok.
Feb. 13, CARL, for Tientsin.
Feb. 13, DEOGAUM, for Shanghai.
Feb. 14, EMERALD, str., for Canton.
Feb. 14, TEVIOT, str., for Whampoa.
Feb. 14, DANUBE, str., for Canton.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 13TH FEBRUARY.

Emerald, str., for Canton.
Borneo, for Saigon.
Deogaum, for Shanghai.
Yesso, str., for East Coast.

Passengers.

Per P. M. S. S. str. *Great Republic*, from San Francisco and Yokohama:—

Messrs. Alex. Monacho, A. H. Benning, Colah, Fredk. Skinner, S. M. Strange, Mr. and Mrs. Glover, Capt. Wm. Lund and wife, Major Constable and servant, Paymaster Torbert, U.S.N., Paymaster Geo. W. Brown, U.S.N., Mrs. W. R. Scott, 5 Chinese and servant.

Reports.

The British 3-masted schooner *Louisa* reports left Saigon on January 22nd, experienced strong monsoon and high sea till arrival.

The North German bark *Berend* reports left Saigon 19th January, experienced a very strong N.E. monsoon and high cross sea till arrival.

The P. M. S. S. steamship *Great Republic*, Capt. Wm. Cobb, left San Francisco on 5th January at 10.50 a.m.; experienced strong unsteady winds with heavy sea from West and North-west and severe gales. Arrived at Yokohama on February 6th at 9.20 a.m., left Yokohama on February 7th at 5.00 p.m., experienced fine favorable weather with light N.E. monsoon to Hongkong.

Auction Sales To-day.

None.

RACES! RACES!! RACES!!!

THE Undersigned begs to announce that he has obtained permission to erect a Pavilion at the Race Course, adjoining the Grand Stand enclosure, where Tiffin and Refreshments can be had.

Seats commanding a view of the whole Course. Wines, Spirits, and Beer of the best quality.

Entrance to the Pavilion, $1.00.

J. R. WHITE,
Commercial Billiard Rooms,
Queen's Road.

295 Hongkong, 13th February, 1872.

$30 REWARD.

THE UNDERMENTIONED ARMS, viz.:—

No. 5,824, 1 double barrelled Lefaucheux GUN, 12 bore;
" 5,600, 1 do. do. do. do.;
" 5,832, 1 do. do. do. do.;
" 5,872, 1 do. Central Fire GUN, 12 bore;
By J. Webley & Sons, London;
And,
No. 9,768, 1 Needle RIFLE, by F. Von Dreyse, Sommerda;
" 10,127, 1 Needle CARBINE, do.;

having been stolen on the night of the 5th instant from our premises, a REWARD of THIRTY DOLLARS is hereby offered to any person or persons, who shall assist in the recovery of the stolen property.

At the same time, the public is warned against *purchasing* the said Arms.

WM. SCHMIDT & Co.,
Gunmakers; Queen's Road.

tf 267 Hongkong, 7th February, 1872.

A. BORG,
TINNER AND GALVANIZER,
97, *WANCHAI ROAD,*
IRON, CHAIN, PIPES,
AND
ALL KINDS OF IRON WORK GALVANIZED,

tf 226] ON REASONABLE TERMS. [Feb. 1

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

ARRANGEMENTS having been made for the conveyance of Cargo *via* London to New York, transhipping to steamers of the North German Lloyd Company, at Southampton. We are now prepared to take Cargo on through Bills of Lading by the steamers of the Ocean Steamship Company line for New York.

For further particulars, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

tf 207 Hongkong, 30th January, 1872.

WANTED.

A SITUATION in a Mercantile Office or Bank at any of the Ports of China, Shanghai or Yokohama preferable, by one who has great experience as a Book-keeper; writes a good hand, and can undertake corresponding on business matters.

Apply to E. V. C., care of the Editor of the *Daily Press.*

tf 1708 Hongkong, 6th October, 1871.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to offer for sale the valuable PAIR of HORSES, CARRIAGE, and HARNESS, belonging to Colonel NORMAN, C.B.

14d 275 Hongkong, 10th February, 1872.

NOW READY.

BOUND VOLUMES of the TRADE REPORT for the year 1871. Price $10.

Apply at the *Daily Press* Office.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1872.

SINGING CLASSES.

LADIES and GENTLEMEN desirous of joining an ELEMENTARY SINGING CLASS, under the direction of Mr. A. SINGER, will please forward their names to him, care of the *Daily Press* Office, or 23, Hollywood Road.

Also,

Those desirous of forming a GLEE and MADRIGAL CLASS, will be good enough to do likewise.

Both the above classes will commence in the first week of February. Terms on application.

tf 173 Hongkong, 25th January, 1872.

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

CAPITAL—Tls. 2,500,000, in 25,000 Shares of Tls. 100 each;

Tls. 25 per Share payable on allotment, and the remainder in such sums and at such times as the Directors may determine, but so that at least three months' notice shall be given of every call;

WITH POWER TO INCREASE TO Tls. 5,000,000.

Provisional Committee.

O. C. BEHN, Esq., Messrs. W. Pustau & Co.
FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE, Esq., Messrs. Framjee Hormusjee & Co.
A. A. HAYES, JR., Esq., Messrs. Olyphant & Co.
C. J. KING, Esq., Messrs. Chapman, King & Co.
R. W. LITTLE, Esq., Messrs. Little & Co.
J. A. MAITLAND, Esq., Messrs. Thorne Brothers & Co.
D. REID, Esq., Messrs. Reid & Co.

Standing Counsel.

R. W. M. BIRD, Esq., *Barrister-at-Law.*

Secretary to the Provisional Committee,
JAMES GILPILLAN, Esq.

IT is proposed to establish in Shanghai a Limited Banking Company, with the above title, in the belief that there is not only room, but actual necessity, for the additional facilities which such an institution will afford to the large local, coasting, and foreign trade which centres in this port.

The great extension of steam communication both by sea and river, and the creation of telegraphic connections, since the existing Local Bank was founded, have greatly added to the importance of Shanghai, until it has become the great depôt or distributing point for the trade of Northern and Central China; but, while it seems desirable that Shanghai should be the head-quarters of the new Bank, and its direction on the spot where the principal interests are involved, a local Committee will be formed in Hongkong for the promotion of the undertaking there.

The success of other public companies in Shanghai and Hongkong, and the evidence of a large sum of money seeking investment in China, encourage the belief that the proposed Capital for this Bank will be readily subscribed; many influential native merchants have already come forward as active promoters and supporters of the undertaking, and the Committee look for a very valuable constituency from Chinese sources.

The legal constitution of the Bank is engaging the consideration of the Committee, and reference has been made to London and elsewhere for the best legal advice upon the subject; and it is understood that no Shares will be alloted, nor will operations be commenced until the necessary arrangements have been completed, when further information will be laid before intending Shareholders. In the meantime, applications for shares are invited, until the 15th April, 1872, but must be on the prescribed forms, which can be obtained from the Secretary.

By order of the Provisional Committee,

J. GILPILLAN,
Secretary.

Shanghai, 17th January, 1872. [212

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—

Chairman—HON. R. ROWETT.
Deputy Chairman—T. PIKE, Esq.

R. R. Belilios, Esq. | Julius Menke, Esq.
A. Joost, Esq. | S. D. Sassoon, Esq.
Wm. Lemann, Esq. | G. F. Weller, Esq.
H. Melchers, Esq.

Managers;—

Hongkong—James Greig, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months' 2 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

tf 1062] Hongkong, 9th September, 1871.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

HEAD OFFICE—1, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, LONDON.

Bankers.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, Nicholas Lane, London, and its Branches.

Underwriter. *Secretary.*
JOHN JOSEPH TIDD. JOSEPH ANGUS.

DURING each year it is proposed to pay the Shareholders, Half-yearly, upon their paid-up Capital, interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum; and, so soon as practicable after the expiration of each year, a Profit and Loss Account will be made up, showing the results of the business, due provision being made for all outstanding risks.

Out of the Profits will first be paid an additional 5 per cent. on the paid-up Capital, making, with the interest to be paid, as explained above, 10 per cent. to the Shareholders.

Before any further division of Profits takes place amongst the Shareholders, one-fourth, say 25 per cent. of the residue, will be rateably divided amongst those Insurers out of whose business Profits have been made during the year.

The undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, Shanghai, Foochow, Hankow, and Yokohama, are prepared to accept Marine Risks at current rates.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

tf Hongkong, 20th November, 1871.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Dividend, at the rate of 16 per cent. per annum, or $6 per share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this day, will be payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after THURSDAY next, the 18th instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the office of the Company for Warrants.

By order of the Board of Directors,

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

tf 114 Hongkong, 15th January, 1872.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received per Overland Mail, Suez Canal Steamers, and Sailing Vessels, the following goods:—

FOR THE RACES.

Racing SADDLES and BRIDLES, &c., &c.
Riding WHIPS—Derby HATS.
Racing SCARVES—GLOVES.
"BOUND TO WIN."
"WON BY A HEAD."
CHROMO-LITHOGRAPHS, by Eminent Artists.
Coloured PHOTOGRAPHS, by Eminent Artists.
The TRICKS of the SEASON—
"The WONDERFUL TUB."
"The CHAMELEON TOP."
Breakfast SERVICES, } All of the newest
Tea Do. } and most fashion-
Dinner and Dessert Do. } able Styles.
Toilet Do. }
Toilet Table PIN and RING SETS, for Ladies' Boudoirs.
Game Pie DISHES, choice designs.
Tobacco JARS.
PIANO RESTS.
CAFETIERES.
Sporting GEAR, of all kinds.
Dog COLLARS.
Chubb's SAFES, Cash BOXES, and LOCKS.
Hobb's LOCKS.
Racquet BATS, BALLS, and PRESSES.
Courier BAGS.
Croquet SETS.
OIL CLOTHS, of all sizes, suitable for Halls, Staircases, Dining-rooms, Offices, Cabins of Ships and Steamers, &c.
Cocoa MATTING.
Iron BEDSTEADS.
Christy's HATS—Straw HATS.
Meerschaum PIPES.
TOBACCO, of various kinds.—
"Over the Sea," "Prince Royal," "Manaolana," "Strawberry," "Birdseye," "Smoking Mixture," "Shag."
PERFUMERY, from all the best makers,—Atkinson, Hendrie, Rimmell, Piesse and Lubin, &c., &c.
Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.
NOVELS, a large assortment.

FINEST FRENCH BUTTER, in 1lb. Bottles.
AUSTRALIAN SOUPS and MEATS of excellent quality.

WINES,—
CLARETS.—Margeaux, St. Emelion, Medoc, Larose.
SHERRIES,—Hely's one, two, and three Comet; Duff Gordon's one, two, and three Crown; Maltese Cross, Manzinilla.
PORT,—Hunt's
CHAMPAGNE,—Krug, Quarts and Pints.
Perrier, do. do.
De Lossy, do.
HOCK,—Liebfraumilch, Johannisberg, Estacher, Rudesheimer Berg.
SPIRITS,—Hennessy's BRANDY, *, **, ***
Exshaw's Do.
Booth's and Swaine's OLD TOM.
Swaine's GINGER BRANDY.
Crabbie's GINGER WINE.
LIQUEURS,—
Fockinck's CURACOA and ANISETTE.
Dioli's and Luxardo's MARASCHINO.
Hoering's CHERRY CORDIAL & CHERRY BRANDY.
CHARTREUSE, Green "Monastery."
Bottled BEER, Bass, in Pints and Quarts.
" PORTER, Guiness, do. do.
BEER and PORTER in Wood.

2w 294 Hongkong, 13th February, 1872.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the registered Office of the Company, situated at No. 99, Praya, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1872, at 3.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of passing certain special Resolutions making the following changes in the Regulations of the Company, that is to say:—

1stly.—Subject to the payment of Interest as heretofore on the paid-up capital the profits of the Company to be divisible as follows from the 1st day of January, 1872: two-thirds thereof to be divided *pro-rata* by way of bonus amongst all contributors, *as well non-shareholders as shareholders*, according to the amount of premia contributed by each; the remaining third to be set apart to form the Reserve Fund, until the same shall amount to $300,000. When such Fund shall have been accumulated, the said one-third to be applied as dividend amongst the Shareholders generally according to the number of shares held by each. At the expiration of the Company the Reserve Fund to be divided in like manner as the Capital amongst Shareholders generally, in proportion to the number of shares held by each.

2ndly.—*Annual* general meetings instead of *half-yearly* meetings to be in future held by the Company.

3rdly.—The sanction of *one-third* only instead of *one-half* of the entire body of Shareholders to be necessary in order to alter the regulations of the Company.

4thly.—*Fourteen* instead of *Twenty-one* days' notice to be necessary in calling confirmatory meetings of Shareholders.

By order,

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1872. [tf 244

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the registered Office of the Company, situated at No. 99, Praya, Victoria Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of April, 1872, at three o'clock P.M., for the purpose of confirming such special Resolutions as may be passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the 23rd March, 1872.

By Order,

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1872. [tf 245

NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the JURY LIST for 1872 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection.

Notice of any Inaccuracies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given in writing to the Registrar on or before MONDAY, the Nineteenth day of February instant, in accordance with the Provision of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Registrar,

Court House, 3rd February, 1872. [7d 273

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
the 15th February, 1872, at noon,
At his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

Casks, each 4 dozen Quarts, Coope & Co.'s PALE ALE.
Casks Pints and Quarts PORTER.
Cases Yellow Bar SOAP.
Cases White Bar SOAP.
Cases, each 20 5lbs. Tins, Australian BUTTER.
PAD-LOCKS, Assorted sizes.
Cases, Assorted Chutnies, Topsnie JAM, Guava CHEESE and JELLY, Citron MARMALADE, and Mangoe PRESERVES.

Also,

An Invoice of Bohemian GLASSWARE, Comprising:—VASES, STANDS, Liqueur STANDS, Toilet ORNAMENTS, &c., &c.

And,

An Invoice of GLASS and CROCKERY-WARE, Comprising:—DECANTERS, TUMBLERS, Champagne, Sherry, Port, and Claret GLASSES, Water BOTTLES, Cruet STANDS, Sugar BASINS, Butter DISHES, Salt CELLARS, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast SETS, PLATES, DISHES, CUPS and SAUCERS, &c., &c.

And,

Sundry FURNITURE, Comprising,—TABLES, COUCHES, CHAIRS, PICTURES, WARDROBES, Writing DESKS, Copying PRESS, Musical BOX, 1 FOUNTAIN and 1 Bagatelle TABLE with Balls and Cues.

&c., &c., &c.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

303 Hongkong, 14th February, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, by order and at the Godowns of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., East Point, on

FRIDAY,
the 16th February, 1872, at noon,
For the benefit of the Concerned,—

220 Bales GREY SHIRTINGS.
51 " T-CLOTH.
52 " COTTON YARN.

More or less damaged by Sea Water

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Hongkong Currency weighed at 7.1.7.

THOMAS G. GLOVER,
Auctioneer.

285 Hongkong, 12th February, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, unless privately disposed of, on

SATURDAY,
the 17th February, at noon,
At their Auction Sales' Room, Queen's Road,—

All that Desirable ROW of FOUR (4) TWO-STORIED HOUSES, facing Hollywood Road, registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 110, either in one Lot, or single to suit purchasers. Same are now in occupation at a monthly Rental of $40 each, and in thorough Repair.

For further particulars, apply to the Auctioneers.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on transfer being made, the expenses of such transfer being paid by the purchaser.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

246 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

ELEGANT ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instruction to sell by Public Auction, at the residence of GEO. N. MINTO, Esq., No. 1, West Terrace, Caine Road, on an early date.

The whole of the Handsome HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of—

Handsome English-made WALNUT DRAWING ROOM FURNITURE; a very fine Grand PIANO by Collard & Collard, made expressly for the Climate; Beautiful Water Colour PAINTINGS by Topham and Macintyre, PICTURES, Bombay and Canton Marble Top TABLES, Card TABLES, Side TABLES, a Handsome Drawing Room TIME PIECE, MIRRORS, CURTAINS, CORNICES and BRACKETS, FENDERS and Fire IRONS, a Handsome Teak SIDEBOARD, Teak Dining TABLES and CHAIRS, a Handsome BOOK CASE, with a Library of well selected BOOKS by Standard Authors, CHANDELIER, Bracket LAMPS, CARPETS, Oil CLOTH, English-made Solid Mahogany Ladies' WARDROBE, Marble Top Toilet TABLES, and ditto WASHSTANDS, Toilet SETS, WARDROBES, CHESTS of DRAWERS, Extra Sized IRON BED, with Spring Mattress, Child's Brass COT, Bath TUBS and GRATINGS, ELECTRO PLATE, Handsome DISH COVERS and Side DISHES, CUTLERY, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, ICE CHESTS, FLOWERS STANDS, FLOWER POTS and FLOWERS, AQUARIUM and STAND.

Lady's Sedan CHAIR, Mountain CHAIR, Verandah CHAIRS, BLINDS, &c., &c.

And,

An American COOKING STOVE.

Catalogues will be issued shortly with full particulars.

287 Hongkong, 12th February, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF THE

STEAM TUG *"MAGGIE LAUDER,"*

ON THE 23RD FEBRUARY, 1872,

AT 11 A.M.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at their Office on the Bund,

THE WELL KNOWN SCREW-STEAMER

"MAGGIE LAUDER,"

now plying as a Tug-Boat in the harbour of Shanghai and in the Yangtsze Kiang.

This Vessel is an English built Iron Steamer, with water-tight compartments, and is classed *A 1* in Lloyds.

Tons Register 190; Length, 86 feet; Breadth of Beam, 21 feet 6 inches; Depth of hold, 9 feet 6 inches; Carrying Capacity, 68 tons, exclusive of coals; Low pressure Engines, 2 of 30 horse-power each, made by Fawcett, Preston & Co., Liverpool; Consumption of coals per day, 6 Tons.

The Inventory to be sold with the vessel includes Spare Screws, Masts, Yards, Rigging, Anglesirons, framing for Deck-House, &c.

The *MAGGIE LAUDER* is the largest vessel of her class in Port, as well as one of the most powerful, and is therefore particularly adopted for outside towage.

She has been lately docked, thoroughly overhauled, and put in complete order.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-Third Cash on the fall of the hammer; the balance in THREE DAYS thereafter, or the first payment to be forfeited. Transfer at purchaser's expense.

For particulars of vessel, inventory, &c., apply to

JOHN THORNE & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Shanghai, 23rd January, 1872. [211

MESSRS. BOURNE & Co.

HAVE received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

At the Godown No. 28 A,
Water Street,
ON
WEDNESDAY,
16th March, at 10 o'clock A.M.,—

Two 12-pdr. Muzzle-Loading Whitworth Steel Tempered RIFLED GUNS, with Fired Carriages and Ammunition complete.

Yokohama, 6th January, 1872. [1m 151

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
15th February, 1872, at 11 o'clock A.M.,
At Messrs. MELCHERS & Co.'s Godowns, Praya,—
For account of the concerned,

A (in a diamond) M&Co., 23	1 Bale, 50 pcs., 6 lbs. T-CLOTH.
" 31, 34, 35, 38, 41, 43, 46, 47.	8 Bales, each 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.
M (in a triangle) M&Co., 211, 218, 219, 220, 224, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 232, 233, 236, 250, 251, 255, 259, 262, 268, 271, 276,	21 Bales, each 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.
" 281, 282, 289, 291, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 304, 307, 312, 313, 318, 319, 321, 329, 331, 332, 334, 337, 339,	25 Bales, each 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.
" 340, 341, 342, 343, 346, 347, 349, 355, 356, 358, 359,	11 Bales, each 50 pcs., 8½ lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.
" 364,—1 Bale, 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.	
M&Co. M (in triangle), 5	1 Bale, 50 pcs., 8½ lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.
" 25, 28, 31, 35, 39, 40, 46, 49, 57, 60, 74, 76, 86, 87, 88, 89,	16 Bales, each 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.
" 91/110,	20 Bales, each 50 pcs., 9½ lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.
A (in a triangle) M&Co., 5, 7, 8, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25,	10 Bales, each 50 pcs., 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.
" 31, 37, 40,	3 Bales, each 50 pcs., 8 lbs. T-CLOTH.
D H (in triangle), 1, 2, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 19, 20, 23, 25, 26, 27, 33, 37, 39,	17 Bales, each 50 pcs., 8½ lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.
WBSO 1/34 CCC	34 Cases, each 30 pcs. DUTCH DRILLS, 30 and 40 yds.

All more or less Damaged by Sea Water, Ex "Ornate."

Also,
For another account,

R M (in a triangle) M&Co., 349, 377,	2 Bales, each 50 pcs., 8½ lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.

More or less Damaged by Sea Water. Ex "Gordon Castle."

TERMS OF SALES.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

305 Hongkong, 14th February, 1872.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales' Rooms, Queen's-road, on

FRIDAY,
the 16th February, 1872, at noon,—

An Invoice of CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, Dinner, Soup and Dessert PLATES, Side DISHES, Hand BASINS, Tea CUPS and SAUCERS, Toilet SETS, JUGS, MUGS, TUMBLERS, Wine GLASSES, Sugar BASINS, Salt CELLARS, CANDLESTICKS.

Also,

JAMS, CHEESE, Huntley and Palmer's BISCUITS, 25 Dozen Tins Lochfine Fresh HERRINGS, 20 Bags FLOUR, ENGRAVINGS.

And,

A few Trees Japanese CAMELIAS.
40 Empty Porter CASKS.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

304 Hongkong, 13th February, 1872.

FURNITURE SALE.

AYRES & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 16th day of February, 1872, at their Sales' Rooms, Queen's Road, at 2 P.M.,—

A quantity of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of COUCHES and CHAIRS, Damask Covered, Marble Top Side TABLES, WARDROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, WHATNOTS, Dining TABLE and CHAIRS, Dinner and Dessert SERVICES, ENGRAVINGS, ORNAMENTS, CLOCKS, Toilet GLASSES and TABLES, WASHSTANDS and SERVICES, MIRRORS, GLASSWARE,

&c., &c., &c.

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THE British I. M. Schooner

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THAT commodious and well-known BUNGALOW, situated in the Albany, (in the rear of Mr. W. H. ALEXANDER'S house), at present occupied by Messrs. HUGHES and BOTTOMLEY, containing six rooms, with Bath-rooms, Out-offices, and a three-stalled Stable, and having a splendid Garden all round the premises.

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tf 301 Hongkong, 14th February, 1872.

HONGKONG RACE FUND, 1872.

THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST is now lying at the HONGKONG CLUB.

Tickets of Admission to the Stands can be obtained from the undersigned on and after 12th instant.

Grand Stand, for the meeting.....$5.
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E. ARTHUR,
Hon. Treasurer.

tf 2/8 Hongkong, 10th February, 1872.

CARRIAGES FOR THE RACES,

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tf 293 Hongkong, 13th February, 1872.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

A RED BUOY has been placed in four fathoms of water, 20 feet N.W. of the Wyoming-rock, Steamers or Vessels may approach close to this buoy when turning or dropping, but cannot pass inside between it and Botifurba-rock.

J. S. HALSEY,
Harbor-Master.

Swatow, February 5th, 1872. [1m 265

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 15th day of February instant, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a statement of Accounts to 30th December, 1871.

By order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES GREIG,
Chief Manager.

16d 203 Hongkong, 29th January, 1872.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTER of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 15th day of February next (both days included), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES GREIG,
Chief Manager.

16d 204 Hongkong, 29th January, 1872.

NOTICE.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General MEETING of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, situate at No. 48, Queen's Road, Hongkong, TO MORROW, the 15th day February instant, at three o'clock P.M., for the purpose of confirming such special resolutions as were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Thursday, 1st February, 1872.

By order of the Committee,

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

32d 99 Hongkong, 13th January, 1872.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the office of the Company, Club Chambers, at 3 P.M. TO-MORROW, the 15th February, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, the Report of the Directors, and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

By order of the Board,

G. N. MINTO,
Secretary,

11d 241 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1872.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer Books of the above Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to 20th February, both days inclusive.

By Order,

G. N. MINTO,
Secretary.

18d 217 Hongkong, 31st January, 1872.

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, 1871-1873.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Society will be held at the Society's Office, Pedder's Street, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 16th day of February next, at three o'clock P.M., for the purpose of confirming such special resolutions as may be passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Friday, 2nd February, 1872.

By order of the Board,

N. J. EDE,
Secretary.

43d 12 Hongkong, 30th December, 1871.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Third Ordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's office, 48, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of MONDAY, the 19th February next, for the purpose of receiving a statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the six months ending 31st December, 1871.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 19th February, both days inclusive.

By order,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

16d 227 Hongkong, 31st January, 1872.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the offices of the Company, No. 39, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1871; the Report of the General Managers; and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers

16d 242 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1872.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 20th inst., both days included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

14d 248 Hongkong, 5th February, 1872.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Second Ordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's office, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, at 3 P.M. on MONDAY, the 26th instant, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and Report of the Board of Directors, for the year ended 31st December, 1871.

The Transfer Books will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 29th inst., both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Secretaries.

20d 243 Hongkong, 3rd February, 1872.

VARNUM D. COLLINS,
DENTIST,
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tf 231 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1872.

FOR SALE.

THE German Schooner *FALK*, about piculs 3,000 Carrying Capacity, as she now lies in this harbour.

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tf 291 Hongkong, 13th February, 1872.

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tf 1100 Hongkong, 27th June, 1871.

Intimations.

HELLER'S WONDERS.

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Great and Ever Varying Entertainment of
MIRTH,
MUSIC,
AND
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will shortly commence in Hongkong.

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J. W. SMITH,
Manager.

28d Hongkong, 12th February, 1872.

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A PERFORMANCE
ON
WEDNESDAY EVENING,
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When will be presented
THE SCREAMING FARCE
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After which will be repeated
(By Special Desire)
THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL BURLESQUE
"MASANIELLO."

Further Particulars will be shortly announced.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1872. [289

$5 REWARD.

LOST on Sunday, a Half Bred Black and White Japanese BITCH, answers to the name of "KOBIE," has a lump underneath her body. Whoever has found the same and will bring it to Messrs. KWONG-KEE & Co.,

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 14TH, 1872.

It is of course only fair in commenting upon the action taken by the Government with reference to the suppression of gambling, to give due consideration to the difficulties with which they are surrounded, but even making every possible allowance of this kind, the plan which they have adopted cannot but be considered as in every way ill-advised. The bribing powers of the Chinese are no doubt enormous. The amount paid for the gambling licenses is sufficient to establish this, and the Executive may well be afraid of making the attempt to put down illicit gambling, when they know that the Chinese are willing to pay between $200,000 and $250,000 a year for the privilege. A fact like this cannot be ignored; and we are free to admit that it might be considered a valid ground for not interfering with gambling at all, either licensing it on the one hand, or endeavouring to suppress it on the other. But as already pointed out, we are not justified in altogether giving up the attempt to put down gambling until we have as good a Police Force as can be got, and have made the attempt with their assistance.

At present, the licences to the public gaming houses have been withdrawn, but the Government hesitates to take any practical steps to carry the matter further. The Police Force is withdrawn from all interference with public gambling-houses, for fear that they may be bribed, and unless the measure adopted in the appointment of Messrs. DEANE and SMITH to put down public gaming houses is such as can be considered effectual, we are in the position of allowing such establishments to continue; and it is well that we should distinctly recognise the fact.

What, then, is the value of this measure? So little is as yet known about it, that it is difficult to speak very positively on the subject; but still a shrewd guess can be made from the nature of the matter, how far two foreign gentlemen, in the position of the officials above-named, are likely to succeed in such a task. They must, of course, be either directly or indirectly dependent upon Chinese sources of information as to the existence of public gaming houses, and we are really curious to know by what line of reasoning the Government has come to the conclusion that it will be possible to trust to Chinese informants for information which they would not be able to obtain from European constables, because the latter would be open to bribery. Only one argument can be suggested, and that is, that while in the case of the Police the Chinese know whom to bribe, in the case of native informants they will not know—a view which may have some appearance of plausibility among those who are not acquainted with the ways in which the Chinese work in such matters, but which must appear obviously futile to any one in the slightest degree conversant with them. With the knowledge that gaming-houses are willing to give enormous sums to be left unmolested, Chinese "informers" will easily discover on which side of the way they are likely to get best paid, and will take good care not to keep themselves hidden, but to make themselves very well known indeed. The two officials appointed as Suppressors-General of gambling, will soon find that they can, as a rule, obtain information only from one or two Chinamen—their head-clerks, teachers, or other confidential individuals; and these gentlemen, if they are different from all other Chinese, will easily arrange with the various gambling houses to receive so much hush money, making use of their powers as informants to obtain this sum. The result will then simply be that gambling will go on in Hongkong precisely as before, the only difference being that the fees will go to the non-informing Chinese informants instead of to the Special Fund; and, indeed, in all likelihood, it will be discovered that the whole affair will remain in the hands of one man—possibly the old gambling licensee—who will pay a fixed sum of hush money to the immediate informants of Messrs. DEANE and SMITH, on the understanding that no gambling houses are to be reported to the Government, but those which he chooses to denounce. Under the arrangement which, so far as is known has been come to, the Chinese interested in gambling houses have obtained precisely what they wanted. Their only object is to get the police out of the way; and then, they know perfectly well, they can do exactly what they like. Into this plan the Executive have played with a readiness which is truly edifying as an illustration of childlike simplicity and trust. If Messrs. DEANE and SMITH could be ubiquitous, the plan decided upon might have some chance of succeeding; but as it is, it must depend entirely upon the native informers, who, as the police are strictly prohibited from giving information concerning gambling houses, will have matters entirely their own way—with what results we leave people of less confiding dispositions than H. E. Sir RICHARD MACDONNELL and his Executive Council to judge for themselves.

As above said, we do not ignore the difficulties in the way of suppressing gambling, but we emphatically assert that, in the step taken, nothing has been done worthy of being for a moment considered a suppressive measure; and if Sir RICHARD MACDONNELL did not feel prepared to do anything more effectual than enact this farce, he had better have contented himself with simply withdrawing the gambling licences, and postponing repressive measures, if they were to be undertaken at all, to some more convenient season. All that has now been done amounts to the schoolboy trick of nailing down the Barometer before a holiday in order to secure fine weather.

H. E. the Governor will open the Chinese Hospital to-day at 2.20 p.m.

The Band of H.M. 10th Regiment will not perform in the Public Gardens to-day, being Ash Wednesday.

In giving the list of passengers by the steamer *Meikong*, from Shanghai, an error was made in the names of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Frazar, which were returned as Mr. and Mrs. Freyder.

Twenty-three out of the twenty-five new constables arrived by the steamship *Glaucus*, were sworn in yesterday at the Police Court, before the presiding magistrate, C. May, Esq., the other two not being able to attend, through their detention at the Government Civil Hospital on the occasion of their examination. They are all strong looking men, and as tall as the last number arrived lately. We may now congratulate ourselves on having a good body of men for an efficient police force, if they are only properly managed.

We regret to hear that it is likely the Colony may, after all, be disappointed in not witnessing Mr. Heller's entertainment. Mr. Smith, under whose auspices Mr. Heller comes here, has been endeavouring to engage the City Hall Theatre, but has unfortunately not been able to make arrangements to give a series of twelve performances without interruptions during the time, which would have an injurious effect, and put Mr. Heller to much trouble and expense; and it is to be feared that he may be compelled to abandon the idea of performing in Hongkong, in which case he would proceed to Shanghai by the first opportunity.

Is there not a little too much zeal about this fire cracker business? The Chinese will indulge in the luxury at New Year's time, and if it is absolutely to be prohibited the next day, at least due notice should be given, which does not appear to have been the case. So inveterate a habit, however stupid it may be, cannot be altogether put down; and at such a time as China New Year, it seems a little beneath the dignity of the Law to inflict a heap of almost nominal fines for such derelictions. A little more pains in letting the Chinese know the times during which the firing will be permitted would probably meet all the necessities of the matter.

A case which came before the Summary Court yesterday, again calls attention to the defective judicial arrangements in the Colony, which it is to be hoped will be soon remedied by the promised Ordinance for the reform of the Courts. In the case alluded to, the Queen obtained a judgment against a debtor. The matter was so simple that the proceedings were really only formal; but still it is very incorrect that the Attorney-General, a member of the Government, should be called upon to hear a case in which the Government is concerned. It is fair to Mr. Hayllar, individually, to say that he is understood to have accepted the office of Summary Judge with some reluctance, (being the only legal gentleman in the Colony besides Mr. Ball qualified, under the existing system, to take the post) and that he has done what lies in his power to remedy the evil for the future; but the case under notice shows that the matter is one calling for early attention, and we only hope that the promised measure of reform will be passed without delay.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

LONDON, 12th February, 1872.

THE AMERICAN SENATE UPON THE "ALABAMA" CLAIMS.

The American Senate has temperately discussed the Arbitration question, and it was agreed to await official advices.

COURT OF SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. T. C. HAYLLAR.

The QUEEN v. HU-TE-CHOY.—$260.00.—Mr. Toller, Acting Crown-Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, and the defendant was not in attendance. The action was brought upon an agreement in writing by the defendant to take down and buy the house formerly on Duddell's lot for $260. The signature of the defendant was witnessed by Ng-a-chiu, a clerk in the Surveyor-General's office, who now proved it, and further stated that the defendant had frequently admitted his liability. He believed also that the house had been taken down, and the materials carried away by the defendant.

The learned judge remarked that he could not import his personal knowledge into the matter, but he knew this to be a fact

Ng-a-chiu said the defendant had told him he had taken it away. The money had never been paid at the Surveyor-General's Office.

Judgment for the Crown, with costs of Attorney.

NG-KEE-WAN v. W. D. MARSHALL.—22.14.—Defendant did not appear. The claim included an item of $9.72 to which amount defendant had stood security for John Baynes, giving a verbal guarantee. This was disallowed, (though Baynes said he had paid the money to Marshall), as the guarantee should have been in writing. Judgment for $12.42.

KONG A-CHEE v. THE SAME.—$28.50; balance of account for furniture, &c., supplied. Judgment by default.

J. F. SCHEFFER v. JOHN BAYNES.—$54.75.—Defendant said he had filed a petition in bankruptcy, and the case was therefore postponed, pending the result of the petition.

LUM-A-CHEW v. L. BARNES.—$4.50.—Defendant did not appear. Plaintiff claimed balance of wages at $3 per month for one month and 25 days, having received $1 on account. He explained that he left in the middle of the month because his master beat him, and that his master beat him because the kitten got sick. Judgment for the plaintiff.

C. V. M. MARQUES v. THE SAME.—$19.70, for goods sold and delivered. Judgment by default.

YUNE-WA-FOO v. CHUN-TIN-PO.—$32.26.—The parties were cooks, but whereas the plaintiff said he was employed by the defendant as his mate, the latter stated that they were partners for the supply of provisions to two European houses. The claim was for money laid out in the purchase of such provisions, and the defendant admitted the account to be correct, simply pleading the partnership, which he sought to prove by calling a third cook, who had heard both the others state to him that they were partners in the speculation.

His Honor said as the amount was admitted he should not be doing justice if he believed the story of the partnership. Judgment for the plaintiff.

OW AKONG v. TANG ACHEONG.—$36.00, on a promissory note for $20.00, carrying interest at the rate of 66 per cent. per annum from the 21st August, 1870. Defendant admitted the note, but at first denied his liability for interest, until shown the clause in the document. He further alleged payment of $11.00. Plaintiff gave credit for $4 received on account of interest.

His Honor thought the plaintiff's story more probable, especially as the defendant had at first disputed the interest. Judgment for the plaintiff.

W. BROWN v. T. W. REUDLY—$16.00, on a promissory note. Defendant, who is master of the Siamese barque *Goliah*, admitted the note, but claimed to set-off the plaintiff's board and lodging on board after the termination of his contract to serve as chief mate. It came out, however, that the master had given the note some time before the arrival of the ship in Hongkong, that plaintiff pretended to have lost it, and the defendant "in consideration of the loss of the note" allowed him to remain on board. As soon as the mate was actually discharged he produced the note, whereupon the defendant "in retaliation" charged him for board

His Honor said he could not have anything to do with claims in retaliation. The defendant had no set-off on his own showing.

Judgment for the plaintiff.

SO AFAT v. A'NGAN—$396.00.—Mr. Thomas appeared for the defendant, and stated that if he had known that the limitation in this Court was different from the ordinary time, he would have pleaded the statute, as all the sums claimed were of more than three years' standing. Having only recently arrived in the Colony he had not been aware of the provision.

His Honor said the Statute of Limitations was a thing that came before the Court, and deprived it of jurisdiction.

The plaintiff said he claimed for money paid on account of the defendant, who was formerly an inmate of the Cheung-sing-low, where he used to visit her.

His Honor said he would postpone the case, in order that Mr. Thomas might plead the Statute of Limitations.

ÆNEAS F. MACKINTOSH v. THOMAS HOWARD.—$82 00.—Mr. Thomas appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Brereton for the defendant, who was sued as manager of the Hongkong, Singapore, and Borneo Trading Company. The plaintiff was formerly master of the barque *Borneo*, belonging to the Company, and the claim was brought to recover $2 per day for provisions supplied to two passengers brought up from Cootie by order of the Company's agent there.

It appeared from the plaintiff's evidence, that on the 25th December when the ship was lying at Cootie, one of the passengers, Brown, (the other being his wife) come on board to ask about a passage to Hongkong. Plaintiff spoke to the agent, Mr. Joseph Moss, who told him to make some arrangement about the passage-money. Brown said that the Company was bound to take him to Hongkong, and when plaintiff told this to Mr. Moss, the latter replied that all he had to do was to find him a passage. Plaintiff brought him to Hongkong, and provided him and his wife with provisions as cabin-passengers. He was paid by the Company a lump sum out of which he was to find his own table, that is, provisions for self and officers. The passenger was not a man of much means. Plaintiff had not been paid by anyone.

In cross-examination he stated that he was told to resign on the 6th February, for a quarrel with Captain Moss; he was also charged with intoxication, but the charge was not true. He could not find Brown now, though he had been in Court that morning.

In re-examination witness said he had made every endeavour to find Brown. If Mr. Moss had not told him to take the passenger he would not have taken him. He did not want to take him.

To the Court: I spoke to Mr. Moss about provisions for Brown and his wife. I asked Brown at Cootie, he refused to provide himself. Mr. Moss said he had to find a cabin passenger, but not provisions.

His Honor said that on the plaintiff's own showing he was under no liability to feed the passengers.

Plaintiff:—Must I have starved them?

His Honor said he might have a claim against Brown, but he had none against the Company.

Plaintiff:—If I have refused to take the passengers I should have quarrelled with the agent, and if not I must starve them or lose the money.

Mr. Thomas submitted that his client was bound by the command of his employers to take the passengers on board. Now, if they ordered him to take them on board with the clear knowledge that Brown refused to pay for their provisions, the company would, he submitted, be liable.

His Honor thought they would not; plaintiff could refuse to feed them. He was very sorry for the captain, but there was no kind of guarantee to fix the Company. He was commanded to take the passengers on board, but not to feed them. If he fed them, he did so at his own risk. Judgment must be for the defendant.

SEE AHAP v. OMAINDE.—$255.00.

NICOLAS KOW v. the same.—$151.07.

LEE ASAI v. the same.—$345.00.

Mr. Thomas appeared for the plaintiff in these cases, and Mr. Wotton, for the defendant. They were actions against the Captain of the ship *Allagracia* for moneys wrongfully converted.

Plaintiffs were coolies who took passage from Havana to Hongkong by the defendant's vessel. There were a large number of other Chinese passengers, three of whom died on the passage. The case of Lee Asai was taken first, and the result was such that the others were not gone into. It appeared that just before the death of one of the coolies the captain asked him (the dying man) how much money he had. He replied 15 gold dollars (the Spanish gold dollar being equal to $20 in silver.) After his death the captain, apparently suspecting Lee Asai of having taken the money, put him in irons, until he got 23 gold dollars from him. In the course of the case it was admitted by Mr. Thomas that the only real question was whether the money taken from Lee Asai was the deceased's property or not. As the money had all been paid over to the Spanish Consul, and is to be taken in charge by the Official Administrator pending the order of the Probate Court, his Honor said that any decision he could give would be useless. The case was adjourned *sine die*, to await the result of a petition to be filed by the plaintiff in the Probate Court.

The other cases were similarly dealt with.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

February 12th.

BEFORE MESSRS. MAY AND CAIRNS.

James Brown, a ship's carpenter, summoned Mr. Gardener, a boarding house keeper, for unlawfully detaining complainant's box of clothing, chest of tools, and oil skins, since the 19th Jan. last.

James Brown stated he came to this colony in the British bark *Jane Maria*. He was compelled to sue the Captain for his wages, and recovered the sum of $500. Of this he received $475. Mr. Francis giving him a cheque for that amount. Being a stranger, he gave the cheque to the defendant, and he was to receive money from him as he wanted it. He owed him one month's board at that time, but nothing for drink. He lodged in a boarding-house managed by defendant, who at that time kept the "Hamburg Tavern." It was about the 8th or 9th of November that he received the cheque, and on the 1st December the defendant told him his money was all expended. He remained in the defendant's house till the 19th January, when he turned him out. He took him to the Harbour Master, when he was stupid from the effects of drink; the defendant told the Harbour Master he was always drunk, and the Harbour Master said if he was a man of that sort he should be turned out. That night he took refuge at the Police Station, and Mr. Julian took him into his house, saying he would get him a ship, but there had been no chance of this. From defendant he wanted $230, his chest of clothing and chest of tools. He admitted he was in the Government Hospital eight days with delirium tremens; the defendant paid the Hospital bill. He had made out his account, but he had not included that, as he forgot it. One night he admitted he was drunk, and was robbed of his good clothes. In answer to defendant, complainant said he made out his account five days back.

Defendant said that on the 2nd November the complainant came on shore, and lodged at a boarding house, of which he had the management; at the same time up to the end of November he was the landlord of the "Hamburg Tavern." On the 10th November, Mr. Francis gave the defendant a cheque for $475. He went with complainant to the Bank to get it cashed, but being after 3 p.m. he was too late. The complainant then went to the "Hamburg Tavern," and he gave the complaint the whole amount in four $100 notes and three $25 notes, at which time he paid him $60, which he had recovered against him in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, and he also paid him $43 for the "Hamburg Tavern" bar bill. He also paid $25 to a shipmate, named Capp, $10 he gave to the runner as a present. The balance, $275, he deposited in his hands, and he gave him a receipt for same. This positively is all he handed to him. The remainder he kept in his own possession. The complainant, from the 10th Nov. until the 1st Dec. applied to him from time to time for money to pay bills and for cash, so that on the 1st Dec. the balance due to him, was $33, of this he gave him $24, for board in advance for one month. He could not help giving the complainant the money he asked for; he had always advised him not to spend the money. He had a box and some bags, also a tool chest, belonging to complainant; he had refused to give them up to him, because he knew he would sell the tools for drink. It was not until the 10th December that the complainant became an inveterate drinker, and he sold his clothes to buy samshu. He had delerium tremens three times, the last time he went to the Civil Hospital for eight days. The complainant brought the tailor and shoemaker to him, and he paid them at request of complainant, but the bills he did not get, nor did he make any entry on the back of the receipt for the $275 for all monies he had paid for or to the complainant; when the money was all gone he got back the receipt and tore it up. The accounts he had in court were the amounts he had against the complainant. In answer to Mr. May, defendant said he knew he had put into that account the sum of $53 for liquor bills.

After a severe reprimand, the defendant was fined £5, and the sum of $56, and the tool chest, &c., were ordered to be lodged in the court, (hereafter to be lodged in hands of Harbour Master)—in default to go to one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

BEFORE C. MAY, ESQ.

February 13th.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

A boatman, named Pang-sap-ng, was fined 60 shillings, or 21 days' imprisonment, for having in his possession a piece of old sheet lead tank, about 50 lbs., belonging to the P. & O. Company. Defendant was chaught by the watchman, named Soonudeen Dorrgah.

DRUNK.

John Dunn, a seaman belonging to the U.S.S. *Colorado*, was fined 50 cents for being helplessly drunk, and ordered to pay 10 cents to chair coolies for carrying him in said condition.

ANOTHER DRUNK.

Captain Cary, of the steamship *Kinshan*, gave his watchman in charge on Monday night for being too drunk to do duty, but did not appear against him.

Alexander Nelson, P.C. No. 5, deposed to Captain Cary giving defendant into his charge, and that on the way to the station, defendant, George Lord, was violent, struck him on the face, gave him a black eye, and tore his coat, also smashed a sedan chair; for which offence, defendant was fined 20 shillings, and ordered to pay $1 amends to constable for the repair of his uniform, in default, 14 days' hard labor. The chair coolies did not appear against defendant.

STREET GAMBLING.

P.C. 453 charged the manager of a street-gambling ring, with indulging in his propensity in the Tai-ping-shan Market-street, for which he was fined $1.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

Yeong-a-choo, a boatman, had owing to him 9 mace of silver by a coolie on board a steamer, named Pang-yeong-sheen. To recover this sum, defendant went to complainant's house and demanded same, but on being told he could not get paid yet, demanded a jacket to be pawned, and insisted on taking it. Complainant gave him in charge, and defendant was fined $1.50 for disorderly conduct.

REFUSAL OF DUTY.

Mr. M. H. Cromartie charged his chair coolies with refusing to do any more work, simply because he aroused them out of a deep sleep at 12 o'clock at night outside the Hongkong Hotel, to carry him home to Peddar's Hill, for which offence they were fined $1 each.

ROCKET FIRING.

Ng-a-ho, inmate of licensed brothel No. 17, Tai-ping-shan, summoned John Paul, a seaman in Jenkins' boarding house, for injuring her leg with a rocket which he fired at her, for which offence he was fined $1, and ordered to make amends of $1 to complainant.

CRACKER FIRING.

Sixty householders appeared on summonses yesterday to answer a charge of firing crackers on Saturday last without a permit. Inspector Orley stated he was thrown off his horse on Saturday morning, after which he posted notices around his district prohibiting the firing of crackers, in accordance with orders in the Central station. Defendants admitted the offence of firing crackers on the day after the New Year, but stated they did not know they were prohibited from doing so. Mr. May remarked to them he was glad to find they had not wilfully disobeyed the law; that they had done it ignorantly. Had he any suspicion that they did it wilfully in defiance of the law, he would most assuredly been compelled to inflict heavy fines on them, but as he believed the contrary, he would only fine them 50 cents each, expressing his opinion to them that it was nonsense on their part to suppose that because such baby's play was tolerated amongst grown up people in their own country, it would be tolerated in this colony by foreigners. Foreigners worked hard to obtain property, and they did not want it burnt down by their stupidity in indulging in such stupid child's play. They were now under foreign law, in a British Colony, and if they wished to live in it, they must abide by its laws; they had no excuse now; they were made acquainted with the fact, and if ever they came up again on the same charge, they would not be so leniently dealt with.

YOKOHAMA.

(*Japan Gazette, February 5th.*)

The Japanese Government has taken it in hand to examine all the claims of foreigners on the old territorial princes, with a view to their being paid up. During the last few years, the princes have become largely indebted to foreign houses, either for loans, ships, or goods, against which they have given as security the seal of their Han or province. The Government having deprived them of their old possessions, feels itself bound to see to the discharge of their just liabilities; and an official notification has been issued, calling on all foreigners to send in an account of their demands before the 6th instant, after which date no claims will be recognised. This is a measure which will relieve the late nobles who borrowed, and the foreigners who trusted them, from the altogether false position they were placed in by the conversion of the territories into Imperial domains.

His Imperial Majesty was present on the 24th ult. at a review of a portion of the troops now stationed in Yedo. He was on horseback, and commenced the review by riding down the lines, accompanied by a large staff, after the manner of foreign sovereigns. He then went to a tent prepared for him, and from thence watched the manœuvres.

The Japanese Government have now established a daily post between Yedo and Nagasaki, charging very low rates of postage — for instance, about equal to a half-penny on a newspaper between Yedo and Kobe, and 1½d. between Nagasaki and Yedo; and for letters between Yedo and Kobe under half an ounce, one penny. To Nagasaki from Yedo or Yokohama, the rate is quintupled. The time occupied between Nagasaki and Yedo is about four days, the distance being some 500 or 600 miles. This ought to be a great boon to the people; but already we hear of several of the mail runners being attacked by highway robbers; in one or two instances with violence.

Accounts have reached Yedo of further disturbances in some of the old hans, consequent on their conversion into ken; but in each instance they have been put down by the troops.

GOING INTO THE CITY.

(*N. C. Daily News.*)

"I have been into the City to-day," says the energetic griffin to the experienced lady resident whom he has conducted down to dinner. He probably thinks that, by the remark, he shall gain a favourable character for venturesomeness with his fair friend, but somehow the communication has the reverse of a pleasant effect. She shudders, draws away from him as far as politeness and the limits of elbow room assigned to her by their host allow, and evidently wishes very heartily that her arm had rested, during the journey from the drawing-room to the dinner-room, on some less dangerous coat sleeve. In plain English, she conveys unmistakeably to the griffin that she regards him as a species of Naman before his ablutions in Jordan. This feeling may find vent in a remark about small-pox, or typhus fever, cholera, or whooping cough, but whether it does or not the lady's look is enough. She evidently thinks the City to be a place of horror, where the most temporary sojourner runs the mortal risk of contracting as many noisome diseases as Timon denounced against Athens, or Milton imagined in his Lazar House. We admit that there is some reason why Beauty should avoid the precincts of the Chinese town. It has very little to attract. The streets are narrow and filthy; the beggars hideous to behold, and the smells various and abominable. We forget at this moment the exact number of stenches that the poet said were to be enjoyed by an amateur in Cologne, but we are well nigh certain that Shanghai would run the city of the Three Kings hard, in this particular.

Yet, in spite of all these drawbacks, the place is truly worth an occasional visit. It presents so many odd pictures of life. We see such grotesque shapes, such curious manners, such quaint traits of character in the stroll through the streets, that it is not easy to employ an hour better than in turning our feet towards the gray walls, and passing under the low-browed portal, betwixt the ragged sentries, into the crowded Chinese hive. The teashops with their many guests are a world of themselves. There we see more than one masterful native characteristic. The love of gossip which never seems to find lack of pabulum. The eager devotion to the absorbing subject of business, so indicative of the practical money-loving bias of the native mind. An experienced eye readily detects, in the crowd that peoples the teashop, the visitors from the different cities which have dealings with Shanghai, and the man who is at home. We see Soochow men, Shangtung men in their warm hoods, both contrasting with the spruce Cantonese, or the man from Hankow or Kiukiang. When we came first to China, we thought that the men all looked precisely alike; now, we see in a crowd of Chinamen an infinite diversity of expression. Tricks of gesture and fashions of apparel, too, catch our eye, and we see indications of opulence and thrift or opium and dissoluteness, as readily as we distinguish the well-to-do citizen from the haunter of casinos in a London street. Perhaps we stroll into the temples, with their spacious courts and enormous idols, each of them as hideous as the image which Mr. Quilp considered an accurate likeness of poor Kit Nubbles. There are the worshippers in groupes, offering their sham joss or their red candles, or their tawdry pictures, with an apathy which nothing can rouse, and a lack of interest or belief which could hardly be matched, save in that celebrated West End congregation that Tenniel drew many years ago in *Punch*. Sometimes, on the days when women crowd the sanctuary, there is more apparent earnestness, but on an ordinary day it is a dreary scene. From the haunt of the priest to that of the fortune tellers and conjurors, is a short step. Here we find, however, much more human interest. There are some performers who create an absolute excitement. The man who brings out fish bowls from under his handkerchief, the man who swallows swords and burning tow, and the man who exhibits himself alternately bloated with excess and emaciated by famine, are all artists who have appreciators amongst the multitude, and who make their peculiar talents pay them well. One says as little as one can about the official buildings of the city, and the magistrates and those in authority who occupy them. The tatterdemallion crew of red-hatted runners, and dirty alguazils, informers, and executioners, all are part and parcel of the civic establishment of a Chinese town, and are all to be seen lounging in the immediate neighbourhood of the yamen, or forming part of the processions through the streets, when the great man goes abroad in state. The soldiers in their bordered tunics, swaggering through the streets and filching from the shopkeepers handfuls of fruit and rice or cakes, are frequent figures in the picture, and illustrate the relations between the civilians and the military in a vivid way. Each of these squalid ruffians probably has his pay months in arrear, and if it continues so much longer will be in a fair way to be a rebel; as it is, he only does what his superiors do!

FOREIGN RELATIONS WITH CHINA.

(*From the Japan Gazette, February 2nd.*)

It has become quite a matter of course for the press in or connected with China to look forward to trouble, to actual war, between that vast Empire and foreign powers, before there can be anything like a thorough understanding and a secure peace. Force is supposed to be the only thing that can bring China to a sense of its duties to the rest of mankind; and until that has been not only displayed by foreigners but felt by the celestials, mandarins will bully and the mob will insult foreigners, and the government will look on tranquilly if not admiringly.

Among those who have not visited China, who have had no experience of Eastern nations, but have either lived at home at ease or travelled only in the most civilized countries, all this is looked upon as mere empty clamour; raised under the impulse of personal provocation, or of dislike to the whole Celestial race. It is magnificent to hear a man, fresh from Europe or America, with all the philanthropical ideas there prevalent strongly besetting him, argue in favour of the ill-used Cathayans, and abuse the illegal traffic by which foreigners have taken their stand and heaped up wealth. It is so easy to bring up the old and worn out charges against the Opium traffic, and to do the magnanimous and virtuous in abhorring it and the evils it brought in its train; and it is so delightful to have a poor helpless and ill-used pagan to protect against the attacks of the grasping and never contented foreign trader and the encroaching missionary. But it is amusing to observe how rapidly opinions change after a short residence in these parts.

Without going over ground that has been too often traversed and reiterating the facts on which residents in China and Japan have come to the conclusions that they have, we cannot deny that we have been among those who saw danger in the approximate future of our relations with China; and the accounts that occasionally reach us in the columns of the Shanghai and Hongkong newspapers, of molestation to missionaries up country, and of threatened conflict with foreigners at one or other of the open ports, have tended to confirm our apprehensions.

But the result of the mission of Chung How to France rather militates against these views. It is hard even now to write with patience of the man who, while supposed to be a friend of foreigners, took no steps to prevent the rising against them, which the French and other Consuls warned him was about to take place. Had Mr. Thiers been in China instead of in Paris, when the Tientsin massacre occurred, his opinion respecting the heartless and undoubtedly premeditated affair might have been very different to what it is. He would hardly have received the ambassador who was sent to make the best explanation of the affair he could, in the way he did; far less would he have spoken words which admitted that the Chinese government had atoned for the crime by decapitating twenty-four of the *rioters*. It is this that comes home so disagreeably to us, in the action of our governments:—that they disregard the truth as told to them by their own people, and accept the cajolery of the Chinese government as plain and unsophisticated truth. Mr. Thiers ought to have known who the people were that were beheaded, and all the circumstances attending their execution. He surely must have been told by the French Chargé d'Affaires at Peking, that they were looked upon rather as martyrs than murderers, and that the government encouraged this view by the presents made to their families. He ought also to have been informed of the failure of justice in reaching those who were men of high estate; and the appointment to offices of trust and honour of some who were more than suspected to have been among the authors of the tragedy.

There was hope for foreigners in China when it was known that Chung How had left France without obtaining an interview with any of the French Ministry. But when he was invited to return to Paris, and was favoured with a reception, polite if not cordial, and studded with honied words, all hope departed. Now Chung How has arrived in China, and he will be received by his government and congratulated with every mark of satisfaction at his success. What next?

The reception, and the platitudes that passed thereat, give assurance that there will be no fighting between China and the Western Powers on account of anything that is past; and this ought to be a matter of rejoicing to us all. If war can be avoided, we should all do our best to keep it at a distance; but if not, it is a pity to put it off from time to time, until the Chinese fancy themselves strong enough to take the initiative and force us into conflict. Every day's delay makes them stronger, and increases the difficulties in our way. If it can be avoided altogether, then we have less objection to the course taken by Mr. Thiers.

But the question is, can it be avoided? If all the Chinese in authority were as enlightened as Prince Kung, all might be well; but it is well known that even in the high officers about the court there are some strong opponents of foreigners. The belief is that the emperor's mother and her sister, who act as joint regents of the Empire, are not by any means well disposed to us; and what the young Emperor himself may be, remains to be seen. Throughout the country are many mandarins and literati who hate us with a seething hatred, and are not particular as to their mode of shewing their distaste to us. And all the danger is from these. The central government, let them say what they will, is quite unable to restrain them, and it would be quite easy for any of them, at any time, to go thoroughly in for such assaults upon our more isolated fellow countrymen, as to compel the interference of our sailors and soldiers. The middle classes have not that aversion to us that is entertained by those we have mentioned, and doubtless they would regret to see a new quarrel arise. But China has still its dangerous classes, as we had formerly and perhaps may still have in Japan; and these require attention.

The young Emperor, having been born in 1855, is now 17 years old. Were he English, he would come of age to govern for himself next year. How it may be in China, we know not; but when he does take upon himself the full duties of his high office, there are several affairs that have to be altered. First will come the audience question, which, if Prince Kung is in power still, will be settled, we doubt not, in favour of the Emperor's receiving Ambassadors and very distinguished visitors, as any other sovereign would do. The great question, however, which has to be solved is, as to the feeling with which he regards foreigners. If he should approve of Prince Kung's policy with regard to us, things may improve; but should he throw himself into the ranks, or rather should he become the head of the anti-foreign party, the long deferred catastrophe will be hastened.

For the present war is staved off; and unless anything should take place that is at present unforeseen, we may look for quiet until the Emperor assumes the reins of government. Then peace or war will chiefly depend upon him; and should he, happily, see that it is his wisdom to be our friend, our confidence will increase, and the evil so long anticipated will be removed out of the category of probabilities.

SUMMARIES OF HOME NEWS FROM THE LONDON DAILY PAPERS.

(*Daily News.*)

TUESDAY, Dec. 12th

According to the Royal Humane Society's daily report, there were 23,500 skaters and sliders upon the ice in the metropolitan parks yesterday, and the number of immersed persons rescued was 68. The public contributions to the society's funds in all the parks during the frost have amounted to the sum of nine shillings.

Yesterday was the great show day at the Metropolitan Cattle Market. The Scotch classes numbered altogether about 12,000 head.

At the December session of the Central Criminal Court, which opened yesterday, the trial of the man giving the name of Harry Benson, on a charge of having defrauded the late Lord Mayor out of £1,000, was postponed till the January session. The prisoner, who lately attempted to commit suicide, is at present too ill to appear.

M. Ordinaire, the Member of the French Assembly, who was formally censured on Saturday by a vote of the House, for declaring that the Committee of Pardons was a Committee of Assassins, will, it seems, in consequence of that vote, be mulcted of half his salary for a month. He will, moreover, be compelled to print, at his own expense, 1,000 handbills giving the text of the censure passed upon him, which are to be distributed throughout the district he represents.

M. John Lemoinne undertakes in the *Débats* the defence of M. Thiers' Message, and eulogises its conciliatory and prudent language. M. Lemoinne thinks special praise is due to M. Thiers for endeavouring, above all things, to improve the general condition of France, and thus render her capable of freely choosing her Government instead of taking up with one at haphazard. If political parties had as much intelligence as passion they would recognise, he maintains, that this provisional state is the best for the country.

(*Standard.*)

In the French National Assembly yesterday, a bill declaring any salaried public employment incompatible with the position of a deputy having been read a first time, the bill for revising the laws against the press was brought forward, and urgency voted for its consideration.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the circumstances attending the loss of the *Megera* sat again yesterday, Lord Lawrence in the chair. Amongst the witnesses examined were Lieutenants Bradley and Evans, with Brown and Botfield, stokers on board the ship. Captain Thropp was also examined.

Mr. Baigent's cross-examination in the Tichborne trial was concluded yesterday. Mr. Hawkins, Q.C., put into witness's hands a letter from Arthur Orton, the handwriting and spelling of which he admitted were very much indeed like those of the claimant. The Court adjourned at its rising until to-day, when Mr. Baigent will be re-examined.

(*Daily News.*)

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13th.

In the Tichborne trial yesterday, Mr. Baigent was at length allowed to leave the box, after having been re-examined by Serjeant Ballantine. Mrs. Judith Woodman, wife of a clerk at Stroud, and who had known Roger Tichborne in his younger days, was afterwards called to testify to the claimant's identity, and the court adjourned.

A man named Arthur Orton, 38 years of age, and described as a porter, was yesterday convicted at Worship-street Police-court of theft, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Yesterday, at Bow-street, the Rev. Joseph Wood, of Accrington, in Lancashire, was prosecuted by the Treasury on a charge of forgery. Twelve years ago the prisoner obtained from the Privy Council the sum of £210 for the enlargement of the National Schools at Clayton-le-Moors, and it is alleged that he forged the names of the school trustees to the authority upon which the money was granted. No alteration whatever had been made in the building, and it was only when the present trustees lately applied for a grant with a similar object in view, that the fraud was discovered. The prisoner, who did not deny the charge, was remanded.

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14d 255 Hongkong, 6th February, 1872.

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EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
tf 14 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1872.

COTES DE CHINE.

PHARE DE CHAPEL ISLAND.

AVIS est donné aux navigateurs qu'à partir du 15 courant le feu du phare de Chapel Island a été établi. L'appareil est Dioptrique, de premiar ordre et à feu blanc fixe varié à intervals d'une demis minute par des éclats de lumière. La hauteur du plan focal est de 227 pieds anglais au dessus de la haute mer. Sa portée est de 22 miles marins en temps clair. La tour a 63 pieds anglais de hauteur de la base à la girouette; elle est peinte en noir, à l'exception du parapet et de la façade des fenêtres qui sont de granit non peint. Les logements des gardiens et les murs environnants sont peints en blanc. Le phare est situé par Latitude N. 24° 10' 18," et par Longitude E. 115° 53' 30".

AVIS.
LES Capitaines de navires passant auprés de l'île se rendant á Amoy, sont priés de remarquer les signaux qu'on peut leur faire de l'île, de rendre tout secour nécessaire et possible, et d'en faire le rapport au Commisaire des Douanes à leur arrivée à Amoy.
Douanes d'Amoy,
Bureau du Capitaine de Port,
16 Novembre, 1871.
A. M. BISBEE,
3m 2007] *Inspecteur Divisionaire.*

COAST OF CHINA.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

CHAPEL ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE.

ON the 15th instant, the Chapel Island Light was lighted. The apparatus is Dioptric, of the First Order, shewing all round the horizon a Fixed White Light, varied by Flashes at intervals of half a minute. The centre of the light is 227 feet above High Water, and in clear weather it will be visible 22 nautical miles. The lighthouse is 63 feet in height from base to vane. The tower is painted black, with the exception of the parapet, and window facings, which are of granite unpainted. The Light-keepers' dwellings and surrounding wall are painted white. The light-house is situated in Lat. 24° 10' 18" N., and Long. 118° 13' 30" E.

NOTE.
MASTERS of Vessels passing near the island when bound into Amoy, are requested to note any Signals that may be made to them from the Island, to render assistance if necessary and possible, and to report the same to the Commissioner of Customs on their arrival at Amoy.
A. M. BISBEE,
Divisional Inspector.
Custom House,
Harbour Master's Office,
Amoy, 16th November, 1871. 3m 2006

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JAMES MILISCH.
Chinkiang, 1st February, 1872. [1m 290.

THE undersigned have mutually entered into partnership as House and Land Agents, Rent Collectors, and Collectors of Debts, &c., &c., under the firm of BARRINGTON & ALGAR.
Distraints for Rent executed, and Money procured on Mortgage. In all details connected with the above business the public may rely on due attention being given.
T. W. BARRINGTON.
THOS. ALGAR.
1m 144 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

Office removed from No. 47, Wyndham Street, to the Store of Messrs. F. BLACKHEAD & Co., Queen's Road West.

NOTICE.
MR. H. SEYMOUR GEARY, Mr. TOBIAS PIM, and Mr. JOHN F. SEAMAN, Jr., are this day admitted partners in our firm in Hongkong and China.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

NOTICE.
MR. CARL ROBERT MEUSER is this day admitted a partner in our firm at Hongkong and at Canton.
PAUL EHLERS & Co.
3m 27 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

MR. WILHELM REINERS is authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.
MELCHERS & Co.
3m 3 Hongkong, 1st January, 1872.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. JULIUS MENZE in our firm ceased on the 31st of December, 1870.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong and China,
December 16th, 1871. [3m 2164

THE undersigned have established themselves as Merchants and Commission Agents at this port, under the Firm or Style of FREWIN & Co.
HENRY FREWIN.
EDWARD HERTON.
tf 17 Swatow, January 1st, 1872.

THE Partnership of HUTCHINGS AND CAMPBELL has been dissolved by Mutual consent.
FRANCIS HUTCHINGS.
PATRICK CAMPBELL.
3m 2125 Swatow, 7th December, 1871.

MR. THOMAS PICKERING DROWN is a partner in my business from this day, which will in future be conducted under the Style or Firm of E. VINCENT & Co.
E. VINCENT.
tf 1676 Swatow, 2nd October, 1871.

NOTICE.
MR. WILLIAM HENRY MOORE and MR. OTTO FRIEDRICH, have this day been admitted partners in our firm.
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 1258 Hongkong, 30th June, 1870.

NOTICE.
MR. WILLIAM ABBOTT TURNBULL is authorised to sign our firm from this date.
BIRLEY, WORTHINGTON & Co.
tf 879 Shanghai, 1st May, 1871.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. J. A. KOOK in our firm, ceased on the 28th of July by mutual consent, and we shall carry on our business, as hitherto, under the same style.
J. SMITH & Co.
tf 1410 Chefoo, 6th August, 1871.

IT is hereby notified that the interest, and connexion of Messrs. LO WING CHOON and LO YÜ YOW, with the undersigned firm ceased from the 1st of May, 1871, and that the undersigned will not hold himself RESPONSIBLE for any debts, whatever contracted by the said LO WING CHOON and LO YÜ YOW of the TYE SENG HOE.
LO KEE SENG.
6m 1399 Singapore, 1st August, 1871.

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tf 876 May3

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tf 234 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1872.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 419 Hongkong, January, 1867.

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tf 143 Hongkong, 20th January, 1872

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tf 126 Hongkong, 18th January, 1872.

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tf 6 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1872.

煤煉記業
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1y 599 Hongkong, 24th April, 1871.

Vessels on the Berth.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.
THE Steamer
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Captain Miller, will leave for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at 2 P.M.
Despatches will close at 1.30 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
8d 272 Hongkong, 8th February, 1872.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
THE Company's Steamship
"GODAVERY,"
Capt. Foach, will be dispatched for YOKOHAMA,
shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.
A. CONIL,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1872. [297

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
THE Company's Steamship
"PROVENCE,"
Capt. Macaire, will be dispatched for SHANGHAI,
shortly after her arrival from Europe.
A. CONIL,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1872. [298

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE A 1 American Ship
"SARDIS,"
McNear, Master, will have early despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 279 Hongkong, 10th February, 1872.

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will be despatched for the above Port shortly after the arrival of the American Mail.
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Intimations.

P. BENNETT, W. H. HENRIQUES.
D. H. TILLSON & Co.,
BAKERS, COMPRADORES, AND NAVAL CONTRACTORS,
KOBE (HIOGO),
JAPAN.
6m 120 Hongkong, 17th January, 1872.

GEORGE GLASSE,
DISPENSING CHEMIST,
THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
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BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS,
YOKOHAMA AND YEDO, JAPAN.
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tf 44 Hongkong, 5th January, 1872.

A. MILLAR & CO.,
HOUSE, SHIP, AND STEAMBOAT PLUMBERS.
COPPERSMITHS & BRASSFOUNDERS.
No. 1, Queen's Road East and Nullah Lane,
Opposite H.M. Naval Dock Yard.
tf 387 Hongkong, 1st March, 1871.

ORIENTAL HOTEL
BOWLING ALLEYS.
Proprietor—J. BAYNES.
Wines and Spirits of the best quality only.
tf 1726 Hongkong, 11th October, 1871.

NOTICE.
FORMERLY Messrs. DENT & Co. were possessed of three lots of ground, situated on the western suburb of Canton, on the north of Shameen Canal, and known respectively as the "lot at the rear of Chum-mok-lan," the "lot at the junction of the Chai-lan Street," and the "lot in front of Tai-ping-tong." These three lots of ground had been leased by Messrs. DENT & Co. to one YU CHONG ON, but subsequently, owing to the non-performance by him of the covenants and conditions, subject to which the leave was granted, the Trustees of Messrs. DENT & Co. cancelled the same, and such cancellation has been duly registered and notified through the British Consul to the Chinese Authorities, who having duly noted the annulment, possession of the said lots had been resumed by the said Trustees, and YU CHONG ON finally ejected and expelled from the premises. All these circumstances appear in the official records.
Notice is hereby given, that through Messrs. CALDWELL and BERRETON, solicitors, and Mr. J. J. FRANCIS, solicitor, the above three lots of ground have, on the 16th day of the 11th moon of the 10th year Toong-chee, (27th December, 1871) been sold and assigned over to the undersigned. The purchase money for the same has been paid in full, and all the title deeds and plans, formerly held by Messrs. DENT & Co.'s Trustees, have been made over to them. Furthermore the whole matter having been brought before the Namboi Magistrate, by Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Canton, the said Magistrate has reported the facts to His Excellency the Viceroy of the Two Kwangs, and has issued a proclamation stating that the undersigned have lawfully become possessed of the property as purchasers, and that they are permitted to build tenements thereon, for the purpose of letting, and otherwise to exercise complete ownership and control thereover, and accordingly that they shall have perpetual possession of the same. This will also be found in official records.
The above transaction, therefore, having been concluded with the sanction of the authorities of both countries, who have communicated with each other on the subject, and placed it on official record, it is clearly a case of *bonâ fide* purchase, and notice of the same is hereby given to all parties whom it may concern.
Dated this 16th day of January, 1872.
1m 123] YOW WO TONG.

Intimations.

G. W. COLLINS,
SHIP CHANDLER,
TAKU,
Shipping supplied on most reasonable Terms.
3m 65] [Jan. 9

ALFRED SINGER,
PROFESSOR OF THE PIANOFORTE, HARMONIUM, AND SINGING.
BALLS AND DANCE PARTIES ATTENDED.
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PIANOS FOR HIRE.
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tf 95 Hongkong, 15th January, 1872.

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He has on hand a fine assortment of 8 and 10 ounce RAVINS DUCK, suitable for Boat Sails or Awnings.
tf 858 Hongkong, 30th April, 1869.

E. R. HANDLEY,
HOUSE AND SHIP PLUMBER COPPER SMITH,
BRASS FOUNDER AND GAS FITTER.
(LATE PATERSON & HANDLEY),
70 F, Praya West,
Next to the P. & O. Coal Stores,
tf 16811 HONGKONG. [Sept. 15

JOHN SKINKER, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.
Successor to RODMOND GIBBONS & Co.,
Solo Agents for:
Winchester Repeating Arms and Ammunition, Du Pont's Blasting and Sporting Powder, Lake Superior and Pacific Fuse Company's Eagle Safety Fuse. [1y. 589 April 6

TAKASIMA COLLIERY,
NAGASAKI.
THE Undersigned are prepared to supply Coals from the Takasima Colliery (8 foot seam), in quantities as required, to be delivered on board ship in this Harbor.
Note.—The Specific Gravity of Takasima Coal is 1.245, it contains 82.07 per cent. of Carbon, and is admitted to be fully equal to the best English North Country Coal for steaming and all other purposes.
GLOVER & Co.
Agent in Hongkong,
NORTON, LYALL & Co.
tf 1951 Nagasaki, Japan, October, 1870.

THROUGH U.S. MAIL LINE
FROM
CHINA AND JAPAN TO NEW YORK.
PACIFIC MAIL S. S. COMPANY
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANIES.
THE Steamship "*GREAT REPUBLIC*," Capt. Cobb, will leave Hongkong for San Francisco via Yokohama on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 3 o'clock P.M., taking Passengers, Mails and Freight, for the United States, Canada, Central and South America, and Europe.
A Steamer of the Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.
The "*GREAT REPUBLIC*" will be due at San Francisco March 24th, whence daily Passenger trains and daily Freight trains are run over the Central and Union Pacific Railroad Lines for New York and for all the principal cities in the interior and upon the Atlantic Seaboard. The time between San Francisco and New York by First-class Passenger trains is six days and twenty hours; and the distance 3,312 miles.
The Silver Palace Sleeping Cars are run through on these trains, making Drawing Room Cars by day, and Sleeping Cars by night; and are of the latest and best American pattern, being unexcelled for comfort and convenience.
At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.
Through Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, and San Francisco, for the Overland Railroad, and to Europe by connecting Lines of Steamers. The Overland Railroad Companies *Guarantee* 12 days time for Silk and 18 days for Teas and General Merchandise, between San Francisco and New York.
Favorable arrangements have been made for Through Passengers and Freight to America from Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, and from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.
Return Passage Tickets issued at a reduction of 20% on regular rates.
Value and weight of Parcel Packages required; all Packages should be marked to address in full.
No Freight received after noon of the 16th inst. No Parcel Packages received after 5 P.M. same day.
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply at the Agency of the Company, *Praya West.*
T. A. HARRIS,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 14th, 1872.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES;
ALSO,
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY.
ON THURSDAY, the 15th February, at noon, the Company's S. S. "*MEI-KONG*," Commandant BOUDON, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping orders will be granted till noon, and Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 o'clock P.M. on the 14th February. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
A. CONIL,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, February 5th, 1872.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, MARSEILLES, OTHER MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, AND SOUTHAMPTON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.
THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "*TRAVANCORE*," Captain C. H. EASTLEY, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places on THURSDAY, the 22nd February, at noon.
Cargo will be received on board until noon, and Specie and Parcels at the office until 2 P.M. on the 21st idem.
For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
*** A Written Declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents, with the Bills of Lading or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any Detention or Prejudice which may happen from

Extracts.

Loafers.

(Liberal Review.)

Sloth, after it reaches a certain point, becomes a disease, which is destructive in all its phases. Suffering under it, a man is almost powerless to help himself, though he may be fully conscious of the extent to which it is injuriously affecting both his intellectual and physical attributes. He more frequently than not remains in the same dull, lethargic, miserable state—despising himself and regarded with contempt by the world—until the final depths of his degradation are reached, and he becomes the wreck of his former self. Did not Dr. Johnson fall a victim to this distressing malady, the effect being that he used to lie in bed till noon, and in one instance, if not more, failed to do work for which he had been paid until many years had elapsed, being then absolutely goaded on by the sharp rebukes of public writers? This is matter of history. But the poor, pompous, pugnacious doctor is not singular in this respect. Most people, during some portions of their lives, suffer to some extent, the difference being that many, by a strong effort of will or assisted by circumstances, succeed in nipping the disease in the bud, while others let it attain such headway that they are thenceforward completely at its mercy. This is the position occupied by the modern loafer. He is the abject slave of sloth, having neither the power nor the inclination to labour to avert the ruin, the misery, and disgrace which are hanging over his head. He would rather go without his dinner than do a day's work in order to obtain it, and is content to sleep under a haystack or a hedge, if it involves any very great exertion on his part to obtain the luxury of a bed. He can endure hunger, or thirst, or fatigue, or cold, or wet, or the undisguised dislike and contempt of the world—anything but regular, settled, honest work. He will go wandering over the country—more at war with his fellow-men than ever was luckless descendant of Ishmael—robbing a henroost here or supplicating the price of a glass there, so weary that he can hardly drag one leg before the other, in wind or rain, frost or snow, or under a broiling sun which shrivels up his flesh into parchment, in preference to labouring in a comfortable workship, for wages which would, at any rate, enable him to live comfortably and decently. If, by some fortunate fluke, he becomes the possessor of a sum of money, he does not keep any portion of it as a reserve fund for those bad times which are constantly overtaking him. No; he seeks some dirty pot-house, and sits himself down to drink and smoke just as long as his money will last. Never, if he has enough in his pocket for present necessities, does he put himself to any inconvenience to add to his store. Prudence and forethought are, apparently, qualities which he does not possess—at any rate, if he possesses them, they are not sufficiently developed to induce him to forsake his earthly paradise—the dirty bar-parlour—so long as he can help it. There he will remain, holding forth, after the manner of Dr. Johnson—being quite as dogmatic in his statements as the learned pedant himself—to all who will listen to him. Politics, metaphysics, theology, and science all come alike to him, for he has thought and formed distinct opinions upon each subject. He can criticise the policy of a Prime Minister in very forcible language, and talk about religion in a style which would astonish many theological warriors, and, at the same time, puzzle them not a little. His views are distorted and his reasoning weak, but it is a mistake to set him down as a muddle-brained fool. He often possesses a fund of information—it may be, much of it is not reliable—but there remains the fact that he possesses much that is. He has studied Holy Writ, and is not unacquainted with the grand conceptions of Shakspeare, while he has evolved out of his own mind a system of political economy, somewhat startling in its originality, and which is not at all in accord with the theories propounded by Adam Smith, Mill, or Bastiat, who, however, he is not afraid to assert he holds in unmitigated contempt. And, what is more, he can say what he thinks. Hear him talking about the wrongs society and the State inflict upon him, and this will at once be admitted. He possesses cunning enough to induce him to pretend that it is not his fault that he is idle, and poor, and degraded, but the fault of those who have charge of the State. He is generally listened to with much attention and outward respect; which is not surprising, seeing that he possesses a fund of dry humour and racy anecdote. So clear—though eccentrically clever—is his conversation, that people are often led to inquire how it happens that he is not found in a more respectable position. It must be repeated that it is because he is lazy and vicious, because he will not work, preferring to live, like an unowned dog, from hand to mouth, than be the servant of any man, and subject to fixed rules and conditions. He is too slothful to keep himself clean or to comb his hair: too lazy, in short, to do anything but eat, drink, and talk. He only leaves his pot-house willingly when his money is done, because he knows that, if he did not do so, he would be turned out. He goes forth reluctant enough to beg and steal, to encounter all winds and weathers, to lurk about street-corners or prowl along under the hedges of the high-road, with bent head and shuffling gait, looking the poor, mean, pitiful creature that his sloth and its accompanying vices have made him.

Such is the loafer. How does he contract the terrible disease which blights his existence? There are times of enforced idleness, even in the most prosperous countries—times when men wander listlessly to and fro, and, for the want of something better to do, haunt the public-houses and the street-corners. The good time comes again, but the men do not readily return to their old ways, and work willingly by time and rule. It is long before they can run in the same groove, and a proportion never can do so, for the idle, listless life has such charms for them that they cannot relinquish it. They may make a pretence of working, but are quite unable to sustain the deception, and so they gradually sink lower and lower, and become lazier and lazier, until they can beg without shame, and steal without being troubled by twinges of conscience. Indeed, after they have reached this stage, they are never in a happier stage of mind than when they have succeeded in swindling, by some paltry deception, an unfortunate wight. And what is the end of the loafer? What could it be but the workhouse or the gaol? What are our paupers but the children of loafers or loafers themselves? and this is only what might be expected. There are, of course, a few of the abler members of the fraternity who are more successful. They succeed, perhaps, as pot-house politicians, and agitate on behalf of "the people," living, meanwhile, upon the labour of their dupes, by whom they are regarded as beings of resplendent intellect and unswerving virtue, who have have had their fortunes blighted by selfish statesman. The pot-house agitators are careful to favour this belief, and actuated by personal considerations, keep the passions of those whom they deceive at boiling point. Now, the loafer—whether pot-house politician, gaol-bird, pauper, or simple vagabond—is a danger and a pest to society: what is to be done with him? Why should honest people be compelled to keep him and his progeny? Because he suffers from the disease, sloth? Then stamp out the disease.

There has been an extensive discovery of human remains during the process of removing some old foundations at the rear of a house in Farringdon-street. Two perfect skeletons have been brought to light by the workmen, besides a large number of skulls and detached bones. It seems that the spot upon which that of the neighbouring houses stand formed a portion of a disused parish burial-ground.

Intimations.

THE INDO-CHINESE SUGAR COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the 36th Clause of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Fourth Call of Twelve Dollars and Fifty Cents per share is payable on the *31st December* current, at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged on all calls paid *after that day.*

By order,
A. NOEL BLAKEMAN,
Secretary.

2087 Hongkong, 5th December, 1871.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the undersigned with a list of Premia contributed by them during the year ended 31st October last, for the distribution of the 25 per cent. Profit reserved for the contributors to the Company.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

2m 134 Hongkong, 19th January, 1872

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1871.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to hand to the undersigned, before the 1st March next, a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1871, in order that the distribution of 33⅓ per cent. of the nett profits reserved for Contributors may be ascertained.

Should any Shareholders fail to make the returns above described, their Accounts will be made up in conformity with the Books of the Company.

By order,
OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

tf 34 Hongkong, 4th January, 1872.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies gainst Sea Risks at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 1022 Hongkong, 1st April, 1865.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, A.D. 1841

A. S. WATSON & Co.
FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS.
(By appointment),
TO H.E. THE GOVERNOR AND HOUSEHOLD,
AND,
TO H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

tf 1933] [Nov. 9

NOTICE.

THE undersigned, Sweet-meat Dealers' Shop, has been established at Canton for a number of years, and *we have no other branch elsewhere than the one established in this City.* The success of this most delicious and unrivalled Preserves has caused some impudent and evil disposed persons at Hongkong and Macao (who are eager to obtain money by illegal means), to apply the name of "CHY LOONG" to their own inferior Goods. Thus the Public is cheated; but what good will be to the evil disposed who will be punished by the visitation of God? The Public are, therefore, requested to send their orders direct to our establishment at Canton, Honam, and this is the only way in which they can obtain our Genuine Goods.

CHY LOONG,
Sweet-meat Dealers' Shop, Canton.

6m 1854 Canton, 30th October, 1871.

APPEAL FOR THE FOUNDATION OF A NEW LIBRARY AT STRASSBURG.

STRASSBURG has lost its magnificent Library! We regret to state that according to official inquiries made on the spot nothing of it, absolutely nothing, has been saved. The losses sustained by the unfortunate University have every where evoked most hearty sympathies, and committees in Germany are labouring in harmony with associations formed in London and New York for the purpose of collecting gifts of books and money in aid of the reconstruction of a new library, the indispensable condition for Strassburg's existence as a University.

Those who most deplore the ravages of war and ardently desire to see the wounds healed which have been inflicted, those who are lovers of peace among all nations, will hail with satisfaction the attempt to thus resuscitate an ancient University which has always been the connecting link and spiritual interpreter between German and French culture.

But it is not a matter of political sympathies. The question of life and death to an ancient University ought to be of interest to the enlightened men of every country. More especially a University like Strassburg, famous through Guttenberg for the discovery of the art of printing to which it gave birth, noted also through Tauler for the impulse it gave to theosophic thought, a University that counts among its graduates cosmopolitan humanitarians like Herder and Goethe, ought to be dear to every friend of civilisation. *Noblesse oblige.*

We appeal, therefore, with confidence to the Foreign Residents of China and Japan, earnestly requesting them to give their aid to such a noble undertaking by donations of books and of money (for the purchase of books).

Under the authority of Count Bismarck-Bohlen, Governor-General of Alsace (whose official mandate is subjoined) a Committee has been formed in Hongkong, to organize the collection of such donations among the residents of Hongkong and the open ports of China and Japan. The following gentlemen have expressed their willingness to act as such a Committee:—

H.E. Sir Richard Graves Macdonnell, K.C.B., K.M.G.

Austin, the Hon. J. G.	Hitzeroth, G.
Behre, E.	Joost, A.
Bowra, E. C.	Klitzke, Pastor E.
Carlowitz, Baron von	Legge, Rev. Dr. J.
Cordes, J. F.	Lister, A.
Eimbeke, A.	Melchers, H.
Focke, Dr. H.	Overbeck, G. von
Francis, J. J.	Smith, the Hon. C. C.
Gray, the Ven. Archdeacon	Stewart, F.

All books of a suitable sort will be accepted, but works referring to the Far East are particularly welcome. Authors are invited to present copies of their works and Publishers selections from their lists. Reports of Learned Bodies, reprints of Publishing Societies and duplicates from private or public Libraries or collections of coins are solicited. Donations in money will be used for the purchase of suitable specimens of Chinese Literature, for the acquisition of a Chinese Library, will make Strassburg an attractive centre for Sinologues and place it in this respect on a line with the universities of Paris, London, Berlin, and Vienna. In the selection of books for purchase the Committee will be guided by the advice of the Rev. J. Legge, D.D., LL.D.

A. Eimbeke, Esq., Consul of the German Empire, will act as Treasurer, and donations of money should be forwarded to the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, whilst donations of books should be addressed to Dr. E. J. Eitel (London Mission House, Hongkong). A public announcement of the contributions received will be made from time to time. G. von Overbeck, Esq., has kindly promised to act as Auditor, and any further information will be gladly furnished by the undersigned.

E. J. EITEL,
London Mission House, Hongkong.

OFFICIAL MANDATE.

STRASSBURG IN ELSASS, 3 SEPT., 1871.

To Rev. Dr. Eitel, Hongkong, (China),

We hereby authorize you, to collect in the Empire of China Donations of Books towards the re-establishment of the University-Library Strassburg, in conjunction with the Associations formed for the same purpose in Germany, England, Italy, in the United States of America and Brazile.

Any books that may be collected by you should be forwarded either direct to the Imperial University-Library Strassburg (Schloss), or, to Mr. Nicholas Trübner, 60 Paternoster Row of London.

His Majesty the German Emperor's
Governor-General of Elsass,
GR. BISMARCK-BOHLEN.

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Insurances.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS 750,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.

In addition to the usual Brokerage, this Association now returns to all policy holders *One-third of its yearly profits* on Insurance business, divided *pro rata* to the net premium contributed.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

tf 1089 Hongkong, 26th December, 1870.

THE LIVERPOOL AND BOMBAY TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this port, are prepared to grant Policies against Marine Risks at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 777 Hongkong, 25th April 1870.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 1927 Hongkong, 1st November, 1870.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month	1 month	¼ of the annual rate
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 „	¼ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding	6 „	½ do. do.

Above 6 months the full annual rate.

GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
North British & Mercantile Insurance Company.

tf 696 Hongkong, 7th April 1868.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

THIS Company, with its Head Office at Hongkong, and Agencies at the various Treaty Ports in China and Japan, is prepared to issue Policies of Insurance, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Secretaries.

tf 557 Hongkong, 1st April, 1871.

NOTICE.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

FROM this date, there will be no fee charged for Policies issued by this Company.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Secretaries.

tf 1877 Hongkong, 1st November, 1871.

NOTICE.

IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	¼ of the annual rate	
Not exceeding 1 month	1 month	½ of the annual rate
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 „	¼ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding	6 „	½ do. do.

Above 6 months the full annual rate.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

tf 675 Hongkong, 13th August, 1869.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	¼ of the annual rates	
Not exceeding 1 month	½	do. do.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	¾	do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months	½	do. do.

Above six months the full annual rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.

tf 678 Hongkong, 26th August, 1869.

COMPAGNIE LYONNAISE D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES.

Société anonyme libre au Capital de 6,000,000 de francs (un quart versé.)

THIS Company, being associated for purposes of Marine Insurance in the Far East, with the

LLOYD FRANCAIS, Capital of 6,000,000 frcs.,
And with the CIE FRANCAISE D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES,
Capital of..... 5,000,000 frcs.,
Offers to the ASSURED the Security of a collective Capital of.....17,000,000 frcs.

Agencies established, and Policies made payable in Lyons, Paris, London, Marseilles, Calcutta, Bombay, Yokohama, Hongkong and Shanghai.

The undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above-named Company, are prepared to accept Marine risks, foreign or coastwise, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 1377 Hongkong, 23rd July, 1870.

CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company grants Policies on Marine Risks to all parts of the World at current Rates.

In addition to the usual brokerage, and to a return as heretofore of 30% of the annual Nett Profits of the Company made pro rata on all Nett Premia contributed, a further Bonus out of the said Profits may be declared, payable in a like manner to such Contributors only, as at the time of contributing business on and after the 1st January, 1872, shall be registered as Shareholders, in the Company's Books.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

tf 1402 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1872.

NOTICE.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Insurance Company, are prepared to issue Policies against Marine risks on Freight and Cargo at Current rates, subject to a discount of 15%.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

tf 1753 Hongkong, 1st October, 1870.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance viz:—

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents,	½ per cent.
Other dwelling Houses, used strictly as such, and their contents,	¾ per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents,	1 per cent

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company

tf 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1865.

DRESDEN INSURANCE COMPANY FOR SEA, RIVER, AND LAND TRANSPORT, DRESDEN.

THE undersigned having been appointed General Agents in China for the above Company, are prepared to accept risks and issue policies of Insurance at the current rates of Premium.

CARLOWITZ & Co.,
General Agents in China.

6m 2193 Hongkong, 15th December, 1871.

Insurances.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent for the above Company at this port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extend of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

NORTON, LYALL & Co.

tf 241 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

REDUCTION IN RATES ON CHINESE RISKS.

ON and after the 15th instant, the minimum rate for the insurance against Fire of Chinese Premises in this Colony will be reduced to Two per cent. per annum.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

tf 1997 Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 10 days	¼ of the annual rate.	
Not exceeding 1 month	½	do. do.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months	½	do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months	¾	do. do.

NORTON, LYALL & Co.,
Agents the Queen Insurance Company.

tf 242 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

NOTICE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will remain as follows until further notice, viz:—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses (removed from the town) and their contents,	½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (similarly situated) and their contents	¾ per cent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents,	1 per cent

Other Risks by Special arrangement.

The following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Policies:—

Not exceeding 10 days	¼ th per cent	
Not exceeding	1 month	¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 „	½ „
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 „	¾ „

Above 6 months, the full annual rate of 1 „

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

tf 1763 Hongkong, 13th September, 1869.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE.
137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON.
ESTABLISHED 1843.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers and Sailing Ships.

A. McIVER, *Agent.*

tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 717 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents,	½ per cent. per annum
Other dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their contents,	¾
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents,	1 „

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

tf 886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

MERCHANT'S MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—$500,000.00.

THE Undersigned having been duly appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks on the usual terms.

OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 1292 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1869.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships; also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels, throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of $60,000 on any one First Class Risk.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above-mentioned Ports.

No charge for Policy fees.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary

Hongkong, 1st November, 1871. [tf 385

THE GUARDIAN FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

No. 11, LOMBARD STREET, LONDON, E.C.
ESTABLISHED 1821,
And empowered by special Acts of Parliament.

Subscribed Capital.....£2,000,000, *Sterling.*
Total invested Funds upwards of 2,750,000 „
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